

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Partial Opening of Piney Point Oyster Bar (Queen Anne's County) — Effective 12/16/2019

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that a portion of Piney Point oyster bar (Queen Anne's County) is opened to oyster harvest beginning December 16, 2019.

AREA OPENED

Piney Point (PSFA 69 (NOB 5-9): Chester River)

All the waters of the Chester River enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°2.679' N, Long. 76°11.598' W; then running 280° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.701' N, Long. 76°11.752' W; then running 7° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.837' N, Long. 76°11.731' W; then running 96° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.823' N, Long. 76°11.550' W; then running 195° True to the point of beginning.

PURPOSE OF THIS OPENING

The purpose of this opening is to allow the harvest of market size oysters that have grown from industry plantings of spat-on-shell made in 2016. This opening was requested by the Queen Anne's County Oyster Committee.

HARVEST RULES FOR THE DESCRIBED AREA

Harvesters must follow the rules established by the public notices effective September 19, 2019 titled "[2019-2020 Commercial Oyster Rules — Effective 9/19/2019](#)" and "[2019-2020 Recreational Oyster Rules — Effective 9/19/2019](#)."

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This opening applies to all individuals who catch oysters recreationally or commercially.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This notice is effective at 12:01 a.m. December 16, 2019. The area described is open from December 16, 2019 through and including March 31, 2020.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04.11G

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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